

Ryan White Funding

The HIV/AIDS Bureau of the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) [<http://hab.hrsa.gov/>]], is the largest single source, next to the Medicaid [http://dhhs.ne.gov/medicaid/Pages/med_medindex.aspx] and Medicare programs, of federal funding for HIV/AIDS care for low-income, un- and underinsured individuals. HRSA administers all Ryan White Parts for HIV care and treatment and is the federal agency to which the Nebraska Ryan White Program reports.

Nebraska receives funding from Part B of the Ryan White CARE Act. Funds are utilized to provide economic assistance for rent, utilities, transportation, health insurance, food, and nutritional supplements to individuals infected with HIV disease. Part C healthcare and healthcare related services are offered through the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC) in Omaha which provides services to the eastern two-thirds of the State and Western Community Health Resources (WCHR), located in Chadron which provides services in the panhandle region. Together these services allow individuals who do not qualify for Medicaid, Medicare, or private insurance to access needed services.